

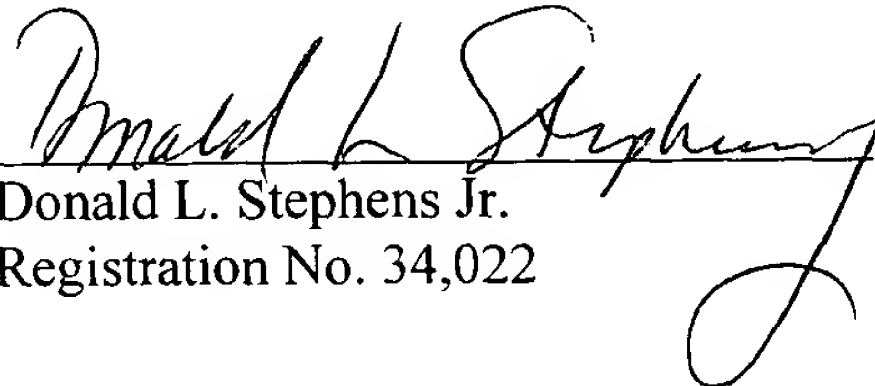
of Supergroup C (TAX 6—amino acid SEQ ID NO: 28 and nucleic acid SEQ ID NO: 27) identified in the Restriction presented in the parent application (see Application No. 09/457,046 Office action mailed 30 June 2000, pages 2-18). Therefore, deletion of these claims does not affect the scope of the remaining claims.

No new matter has been introduced by this amendment.

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